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SUBJECT: MBFR: GUIDANCE ON SECTION II, PARA 12 BIS

REF: (A) USNATO 4550; (B) STATE 191312; (C) STATE 186027;
(D) USNATO 4551

1. WE ACCEPT COMPROMISE FORMULATION SUGGESTED BY SPC
CHAIRMAN KASTL ("WITH A VIEW TO AGREEING WITHIN THE
ALLIANCE" IN LIEU OF "AGREED UPON WITHIN THE ALLIANCE")

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FOR PARA 12 BIS OF SECTION II OF ALLIED POSITION. WITH

THIS CHANGE, YOU MAY REMOVE US BRACKETS FROM CURRENT TEXT OF PARA 12 BIS AS REPORTED PARA 5 REF (A).

2. IN ACCEPTING THIS PARAGRAPH, YOU SHOULD STATE THAT WE ARE GOING ALONG WITH COMPROMISE LANGUAGE, DESPITE OUR ZCONTINUING MISGIVINGS ABOUT THE SUBSTANCE, IN THE INTERESTS OF REACHING EARLY AGREEMENT ON THE PAPER AS A WHOLE. YOU SHOULD REITERATE RELEVANT POINTS IN PARA 4 OF REF (B) AND PARA 11 OF REF (C), PARTICULARLY POINT THAT OUR AGREEMENT TO INCLUDE PARA 12 B APER;DOES NOT COMMIT US TO THE ACTUAL MEASURES LISTED IN THE PARAGRAPH OR TO PUTTING THEM FORWARD IN NEGOTIATIONS.

3. BEGIN FYI: WE ARE ACCEPTING PARA 12 BIS IN EXPECTATION THAT PROCESS OF REACHING AGREEMENT ON ALLIED POSITION PAPER AS A WHOLE WILL BE MORE MANAGEABLE, AND THAT AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED FAIRLY SOON. IN DEALING OVER THE COMING MONTHS WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF THE TURKISH PROPOSALS, WE WILL BE GUIDED BY THE FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS:

A. IT WILL BE INCUMBENT UPON THE TURKS OR OTHERS TO COME UP WITH APPROPRIATE FORMULATIONS. WE DO NOT PLAN TO TAKE INITIATIVE IN PROPOSING FORMULATIONS OURSELVES.

B. WE WILL SUBJECT ANY FORMULATIONS TURKS MAY PUT FORWARD TO INTENSIVE STUDY AND CRITICISM, PRESUMABLY AS WILL OTHER ALLIES.

C. IT IS CLEAR THAT, IF WE FIND IT POSSIBLE TO AGREE TO ANY EVENTUAL TURKISH FORMULATIONS AS MODIFIED IN ALLIANCE DISCUSSION, WE WOULD NOT WISH TO PUT SUCH IDEAS FORWARD IN THE NEGOTIATIONS UNTIL THE SUBSTANCE OF REDUCTIONS HAS BEEN AGREED WITH THE EAST AND OUR CONCEPT OF THE REDUCTION AREA CONSOLIDATED, THUS DIMINISHING CHANCES FOR SUCCESS OF ANY SOVIET EFFORTS TO EXTEND THE SCOPE OF REDUCTIONS TO INCLUDE FORCES LOCATED OUTSIDE THE NGA.

D. WE WOULD ALSO CONSIDER IT TACTICALLY DESIRABLE TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE EAST ON THE APPLICATION TO THE SECRET

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REDUCTION AREA OF STABILIZING MEASURES TO ACCOMPANY REDUCTIONS LISTED IN PARA 29 REF (D) BEFORE PROPOSING APPLICATION OF POSSIBLE OTHER MEASURES TO AREAS OUTSIDE THE NGA. END FYI. KISSINGER

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